Dear FCC Chair, Michael Powell:

As you know, the FCC is mandated to protect citizen's communication rights. A democracy deserately need diverse, independent media that provides forums for the multitude of differing opinions. Media concentration stifles free speech while profiting a few media oligarchs.

For that reason I'm asking you and the FCC not to lift the ban on cross-ownership of newspapers and TV stations. I also do not want one or two cable companies dictating America's programming and internet cable choices. Do not overturn the limits on cable system ownership!

Please do your job and stop media monopolies from destroying our democracy.

Sincerely,

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